These are private remittances and there is no emigration deposit collected by the Government.

No data State-wise, Country-wise, and Category-wise is maintained by the RBI.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Does not arise.

Overhauling of immigration law

1952. SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:
SHRI VIJAY JAWAHARLAL DARDA:

Will the Minister of OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether worried over illegal immigration and the horror stories of Indian workers being cheated and abused abroad, Government has proposed to overhaul the existing law;

(b) if so, whether the new measures would include stiff penalties, including jail terms upto five years, for agents exploiting poor people;

(c) whether Government is planning to amend the Emigration Act, 1983;

(d) if so, the other main points being considered; and

(e) by what time final decision in this regard is likely to be taken?

THE MINISTER OF OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS (SHRI VAYALAR RAVI): (a) to (e) The proposed amendments to the Emigration Act, 1983 intended to facilitate legal emigration, to curb illegal emigration and to make emigration a simple, transparent, efficient and humane process, are under finalization, in consultation with the Law Ministry.

Awareness of RTI Act

†1953. SHRI AJAY SINGH CHAUTALA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether all the citizens of the country, particularly rural people are aware of the Right to Information Act;

(b) if not, whether Government has taken any steps to make people aware of Right to Information Act, 2005;

(c) if so, the details of such steps; and

(d) if not, whether Government would take appropriate step in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI PRITHVIRAJ CHAVAN): (a) to (d) The Right to Information Act, 2005 has been notified in the Gazette of India for information of all the citizens of the country. Sensitizing the citizens including the rural people is a continuing process. The Government in this process has given publicity to the Act through various channels of media including television and holding

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.